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Vicky Takes To the Sun

by Jo Ann Breckenridge

As the mercury in the thermometer soars upward, Vicky prepares her wardrobe for play. Warm summer weekends mean swimming, sunning, picnics and tennis. Summer shows cottons crisp as taffeta, cool rayons and sturdy denims that can take the beating of a picnic at the Ledges.

Our Vicky takes to water, so her first purchase of the season is a swimming suit styled to keep her back-stroke smooth as Esther Williams'. She'll choose a sleek, elasticized one-piece suit, with detachable straps for even tanning. A new setup for you who'd rather sun than swim is a suit of chambray. Ruffles around the side accent the skirt width beneath a strapless, molded bodice. There are one or two-piece styles with the same flirtatious ruffles.

There's little chance of a blistered and peeling back for Vicky. When the sun's rays threaten to burn, she'll fling her novel cape-hood beach coat over her shoulders. The coat of rayon faille features the full swinging back and a collar-hood.

Tennis Dress

On the tennis court Vicky keeps calm and cool while perfecting a smashing serve and effective back-hand. Her new tennis dress is white, pure and simple, with wide-legged shorts that appear to be a skirt in front and are covered by an over-piece in back. This gives Vicky the comfort and freedom of shorts and the flattery of a fluttering skirt.

When the man in her life suggests a Sunday picnic, Vicky will be ready on time in her denim slacks of barnyard red. She tops these western-style slacks with a matching boxy jacket or the perennial plaid skirt. Don't wear your pedal pushers or shorts on an Iowa State picnic, Vicky warns, unless you want scratched and bruised legs.

Versatile Separates

Vicky has learned that separates are to a wardrobe what cinnamon is to apple pie—they add spice. They also stretch the budget. Her denim slacks, pin-checked pedal pushers and cotton twill shorts mix and match her washable flannel cardigan jacket with short sleeves and split side seams. A novelty tablecloth—check cotton stole adds interest over the slacks, shorts or swim suit. A natural with any of them is a light weight cardigan sweater for chilly evenings.

Nice to have, Vicky thinks, is a three-piece play ensemble with shorts, skirt and jacket that make a suitable outfit while strolling on campus or taking the bus to a play spot. Vicky chooses a one-piece sunback playsuit with matching skirt and bolero of cotton plaid. She also finds it lightens her luggage when taking short weekend trips as it is equally attractive

in any of its three personalities—as a street dress, a sun-back dress or a playsuit.

While you're playing under the sun, Vicky hopes you're getting toasty golden brown. To achieve that healthy tan without first suffering a painful burn, take your sun in small doses until your skin has become accustomed to it. Always protect your skin from the burning rays with a good suntan lotion or cream. Many of these act as a make-up base to keep you attractively groomed and protected at the same time. If you are one of the fair-skinned lasses who freckle and burn but never tan, pamper and protect your fragile, feminine look. You'll shine in this year's lady-like clothes, Vicky predicts.



Mary Louise Shaw tans easily because of her brunette coloring, but she uses a creamy lotion to keep her skin soft and smooth. The home management senior, who hails from Minburn, endorses suntan lotion because it promotes an even tan.